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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

Please do not change the current rules to let the big telecom companies like AT&T shut out the small independent broadband providers like Sonic.net.

We are residential customers who depend on Sonic.net for our phone and internet service.

The big firms who have petitioned the FCC say there are no residential customers who would be affected by the proposed rule changes. They are spreading FALSE INFORMATION. We WILL BE AFFECTED.

During the early years of our internet broadband service, AT&T stonewalled fixing old copper connections in our area that continually interrupted our connection. With Sonic.net's support AT&T finally fixed the copper issues in our area. Sonic.net always responds to customer problems but AT&T never tried to work with us.

Please do not let them block Sonic.net from providing us with unbundled competitively priced broadband copper services. We and our friends and neighbors have trusted Sonic.net innovative services for many years.

The FCC will be supporting reduced competition if the petition is granted and we will be forced to sign up with monopolistic AT&T.

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